

HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES, GREAT LAKES, LAND USE, AND ENVIRONMENT

Thursday, January 19, 2006

9:00 a.m.

Room 519 House Office Building

Representative Palsrok, Chair, called the meeting to order.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Representatives Palsrok, Pavlov, Meyer, Palmer, LaJoy, Elsenheimer, Moore, Pearce, Gillard, Miller, Byrnes, Kathleen Law, Bennett and Donigan.

Representative Gillard moved to excuse absent members.

Representative LaJoy supported the motion.

There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

MEMBERS ABSENT/EXCUSED: Representative Ward.

Representative Gillard moved to approve the minutes of the December 1, 2005 meeting.

Representative Pavlov supported the motion.

There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

The Chair laid SB 850, SB 851, SB 852, SB 854 and SB 857 before the committee.

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| SB 850 | Birkholz | Water; conservation; regulation of water withdrawals; provide for. |
| SB 851 | Patterson | Water; conservation; groundwater conservation advisory council; make recommendations on the development of a water withdrawal assessment tool. |
| SB 852 | Van Woerkom | Water; conservation; water withdrawal registration and reporting requirements; modify. |
| SB 854 | Basham | Natural resources; inland lakes; permit required for water withdrawals; establish procedure for when a permit is required that may affect an inland lake or a wetland. |
| SB 857 | Brater | Water; conservation; public water supply systems; consider impacts on natural resources. |

Senator Birkholz gave a presentation on Water Conservation and SB 850, SB 851, SB 852, SB 854 and SB 857. Questions and discussion followed.

Frank Ruswick, representing the Department of Environmental Quality, testified in support of SB 850, SB 851, SB 852, SB 854 and SB 857.

The following people submitted cards in support of SB 850, SB 851, SB 852, SB 854 and SB 857, but did not wish to speak:

Melissa Trustman, representing the Detroit Regional Chamber of Commerce,
Bob Wilson, representing the Senate Majority Policy Office,
Mike Frederick, representing the Michigan Concrete Paving Association.

The Chair announced that the committee will take the bills up at a future date.

The Chair laid HB 5508 before the committee.

HB 5508 Pavlov Transportation; motor fuel tax; motor fuels quality act; revise.

Representative Pavlov testified in support of HB 5508. Questions and discussion followed.

Chuck Hersey, representing the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments, testified in support of HB 5508.

Carol Linteau and Vince Hellwig, representing the Department of Environmental Quality, testified in support of HB 5508.*

Celeste Bennett, representing the Michigan Department of Agriculture, submitted a card and indicated no position on HB 5508, but was available for questions.

The following people submitted cards in support of HB 5508, but did not wish to speak:

Melissa Trustman, representing the Detroit Regional Chamber of Commerce,
Doug Roberts, representing the Michigan Chamber of Commerce,*
James Clift, representing the Michigan Environmental Council.

Representative Gillard moved to adopt substitute (H-1) to HB 5508.

Representative LaJoy supported the motion.

The motion prevailed by a vote of 13-0-0.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Palsrok, Pavlov, Palmer, LaJoy, Elsenheimer, Moore, Pearce,

Gillard, Miller, Byrnes, Kathleen Law, Bennett and Donigan,
Nays: None,
Pass: None.

Representative Byrnes moved to report out HB 5508 as substitute (H-1) with recommendation.

Representative Elsenheimer supported the motion.

The motion prevailed by a vote of 13-0-0.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Palsrok, Pavlov, Palmer, LaJoy, Elsenheimer, Moore, Pearce,
Gillard, Miller, Byrnes, Kathleen Law, Bennett and Donigan,
Nays: None,
Pass: None.

HB 5508 (H-1) reported out with recommendation.

With no further business to come before the committee, the Chair adjourned the meeting, the time being 10:17 a.m.

Representative Palsrok, Chair

Ben Cook
Committee Clerk
January 19, 2006
1 hour 17 minutes

Date Approved and Signed

* indicates printed materials attached to original minutes.